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SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND ENERGY AND SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

Monday, March 25 2019 2:45 PM State Capitol, Conference Room #414

In consideration of

SCR89/SR66

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO TRANSITION THE HAWAII STATE CAPITOL BUILDING INTO A NET-ZERO ENERGY BUILDING THAT PRODUCES ITS OWN RENEWABLE ENERGY.

Chairs Thielen and Wakai, Vice Chairs Inouye and Taniguchi, and members of the Committees.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) supports the intent of SCR89 and SR66 which urges the Department of Accounting and General Services to transition the Hawaii State Capitol Building into a net-zero energy building that produces its own renewable energy.

We defer specific comments to testimony submitted separately by the Department of Accounting and General Services.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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Chairs Thielen and Wakai, Vice Chairs Inouye and Taniguchi, and Members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.C.R. 89 which urges the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) to transition the Hawaii State Capitol Building (Capitol) into a net-zero building that produces its own renewable energy.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent to improve energy efficiency within State buildings and offers the following comments:

- 1. This resolution urges DAGS to have the Capitol produce energy used on-site or off-site.
- The production of all energy used on-site may be at odds with the historic design of this
 registered historic facility. For example, to install wind or solar energy devices, a
 significant amount of lawn space would be required.
- 3. The production of energy from surrounding State facilities could have enough PV to power the Capitol but this would not allow surrounding facilities to be net-zero facilities.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.